



# The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the Philippines

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Grand Recorder

September 29, 2023

To: All Subordinate Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of the Philippines  
Subject: Okinawa Commandery

Sir Knights,

Upon checking our list of Subordinate Commanderies, I was informed by SK Sonny Leviste, PDC, that Okinawa Commandery surrendered their Charter to the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of the Philippines. We however cannot ascertain any document to prove this event. I was informed that communication with Okinawa Commandery has ceased even before the pandemic and we are not receiving any report of payment of assessment from them.

I chanced upon an article in the publication of the Knight Templar dated May 1964 about the establishment of our Grand Commandery and it tells a lot about Okinawa Commandery playing a part in that exercise.

In line with our campaign to reach out to dormant Commanderies, I am directing our Grand Recorder to exert effort in contacting any member of Okinawa Commandery to understand their circumstances.

On the other hand, the Grand Recorder will report on when Okinawa Commandery lapsed on their reportorial and financial obligation to the Grand Commandery. This will be tackled in our 61<sup>st</sup> Grand Conclave on October 21, 2023 for appropriate action to be taken.

I am seeking the help of SK Evaristo Leviste to assist us in knowing the membership status of Okinawa Members with respect to the Grand Encampment and how it affects our finances. I am placing him on a standby mode to implement updating of records from the membership portal of the Grand Encampment once he receive the official report from the Grand Recorder.

Courteously,

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